COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY-AMERICAN WATER)
COMPANY FOR A GENERAL ADJUSTMENT OF) CAS
RATES)

) CASE NO. 97-034

<u>O R D E R</u>

On February 28, 1997, Kentucky-American Water Company ("Kentucky-American") filed an application with the Commission wherein it proposed to adjust its water rates for service rendered on and after March 30, 1997.

The Commission finds that further proceedings are necessary in order to determine the reasonableness of the proposed rates and that such proceedings cannot be completed prior to March 30, 1997.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. The proposed rates are hereby suspended pursuant to KRS 278.190(2) up to and including September 29, 1997.
- 2. The procedural schedule listed in Appendix A, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein, shall be followed.
- 3. All requests for information and responses thereto shall be appropriately indexed and all responses shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to questions related to the information provided. All requests and responses

shall be served on all parties of record and 7 paper copies and 11 electronic copies shall be filed with the Commission.

- 4. Kentucky-American shall give notice of the hearing in accordance with the provisions set out in 807 KAR 5:011, Section 8(5). At the time publication is requested, the Applicant shall forward a duplicate of the notice and request to the Commission.
- 5. Motions for extensions of time with respect to the schedule herein shall be made in writing and will be granted only upon a showing of compelling reasons.
- 6. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Commission from entering further Orders in this matter.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 24th day of March, 1997.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

For the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director

APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 97-034 DATED March 24, 1997.

All requests for information to Kentucky-American shall be due no later than	4/04/97
Kentucky-American shall mail or deliver responses to the requests for information no later than	4/18/97
All supplemental requests for information (to include only those matters within the scope of the initial requests) to Kentucky-American shall be due no later than	5/02/97
Kentucky-American shall mail or deliver responses to supplemental requests for information no later than	5/12/97
Intervenor testimony, if any, shall be filed in verified prepared form no later than	6/02/97
All requests for information to Intervenors shall be due no later than	6/13/97
Intervenors shall mail or deliver responses to requests for information no later than	6/23/97
Last day for Kentucky-American to publish notice of hearing date	6/24/97
Public Hearing is to begin at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time, in Hearing Room 1 of the Commission's offices at 730 Schenkel Lane, Frankfort, Kentucky, for the purpose of cross-examination of witnesses of Kentucky-American and witnesses of the Intervenors	7/01/97